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STAFFDEL HOWELL

E.O. 11652: N/A

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SUBJECT: STAFFDEL HOWELL

1. CHAIRMAN MURPHY HAS AUTHORIZED MR. MARTIN D. HOWELL, PROFESSIONAL STAFF MEMBER OF THE MERCHANT MARINE AND FISHERIES COMMITTEE, TO TRAVEL TO ACAPULCO, MEXICO FOR ON-SITE RESEARCH OF THE TUNA INDUSTRY IN CONNECTION WITH LEGISLATION TO AMEND THE MARINE MAMMAL PROTECTION ACT OF 1972.

2. STAFFDEL HAS MADE ARRANGEMENTS FOR VISIT BUT WOULD APPRECIATE EMBASSY MAKING SINGLE HOTEL RESERVATIONS IN ACAPULCO NIGHT OF MAY 22 ONLY. PLEASE CONFIRM SOONEST.
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3. STAFFDEL WILL BE TRANSITTING MEXICO CITY ON MAY 22 AS FOLLOWS:
5/22 LV CHICAGO 1220 AA-105 AR MEXICO 1506
5/22 LV MEXICO 1805 MX-315 AR ACAPULCO 1850.
STAFFDEL PLANS TO DEPART ACAPULCO ON OR ABOUT JUNE 2.

4. REQUEST EMBASSY MEET STAFFDEL ON ARRIVAL IN MEXICO CITY ON MAY 22 AND DISBURSE ELEVEN DAYS PER DIEM. 19FT510 FUNDS (PER DIEM AND

TRANSPORTATION) AUTHORIZED BY HOUSE COMMITTEE ON MERCHANT MARINE AND FISHERIES. CHARGE 19X6875, SUBACCT. 2988. PLEASE FORWARD DISBURSING DOCUMENT TO BF/FS IMMEDIATELY.

5. FYI: WE UNDERSTAND HOWELL WILL ACTUALLY BOARD AND REMAIN ON TUNA BOAT(S) FOR ON-SITE RESEARCH. ALTHOUGH WE HAVE NO OTHER DETAILS, EMBASSY MAY WISH TO QUERY STAFFDEL ON ARRIVAL MAY 22. ALSO, POSSIBILITY THAT CHAIRMAN MURPHY AND/OR SEVERAL OTHER MEMBERS WILL JOIN HOWELL FOLLOWING WEEK. WILL ADVISE BY SEPTTEL WHEN TRAVEL ARRANGEMENTS FIRM. CHRISTOPHER

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